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(c) whether the Government have proposed to amend the **rules in the near future?**

THE HON. DR. T. S. S. RAJAN :—" (a) In all the 94 municipalities.

" (b) Yes.

" (c) The question is under consideration."

The film picture " Apna Desh ".

* 124 Q.—SRI B. BHIMA RAO : Will the Hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state—

(a) whether he has witnessed the film picture entitled ' Apna Desh ' or its adaptation in Tamil;

(b) whether the facts relating to its theme as represented in the review in ' Filmindia ' of September 1949 at page 43 are correct; and

(c) if so, whether the Government have taken any action to prohibit the exhibition of such films in the Province?

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON :—"(a) Yes. Its adaptation in Tamil.

" (b) The facts are reported to be not in accordance with the review in Filmindia.

" (c) Does not arise."

Vacant sites in the limits of the Eluru Municipality.

* 125 Q.—SRI M. NARAYANA RAO : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state whether it is a fact that every available vacant site in the limits of the Eluru Municipality has of late been permitted to be converted into public lorry, bus, car, jutka and rickshaw stand, and if so, whether the Government propose to depute a special officer to survey the situation in Eluru town and report on the matter?

THE HON. SRI K. CHANDRAMOULI :—" The Commissioner, Eluru Municipality, has reported that no vacant site has been converted by the Eluru Municipal Council into public lorry, bus, car, jutka or rickshaw stand either in 1948 or 1949.

" The question of deputing a special officer to survey the situation does not, therefore, arise."

UNSTARRED QUESTION.

Complaint against the Tahsildar of Kovur.

8 Q.—SRI L. SUBBARAMA REDDI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state whether there has been a complaint recently by the political sufferers against the Tahsildar of Kovur, Nellore district, and if so, what the nature of the complaint made in the petition is and what action has been taken upon it?

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A.—Yes. The complaint against the Tahsildar was that he was hostile to the political sufferers in the matter of assignment of lands to them. It was not considered necessary to enquire into the allegation as the Tahsildar was transferred by the Collector of Nellore on other grounds.

[*Note.*—An asterisk (*) at the comencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.]

II.—ADJOURNMENT MOTION *RE* CUT IN AND MANNER OF REGULATING SUPPLY OF ELECTRICITY FOR AGRICULTURAL PURPOSES.

MR. PRESIDENT :—" May I know from Mr. B. Narayanaswami Nayudu whether he is pressing his motion for adjournment? "

SRI B. NARAYANASWAMI NAYUDU :—" I press my motion Sir."

MR. PRESIDENT :—" May I know how the matter is urgent? "

SRI B. NARAYANASWAMI NAYUDU :—" It is urgent because it refers to food production."

MR. PRESIDENT :—" I would like the hon. Member to explain to me in a short statement how the matter is urgent."

SRI B. NARAYANASWAMI NAYUDU :—" Sir, water is in the well; the electric pump is standing beside it; and the crop is standing on the field; but water is not coming to the field; and the standing crops will wither away if there is no water for it. There is also another aspect of it. This is the proper season for transplantation of the ragi crop. Water is there in the well; the seedlings are ready for transplantation; in fact everything is ready for transplantation, but water will not come. Therefore the supply of electric supply for pumping water from the well is an essential matter. Unless it is supplied now immediately both the standing crops and the seedlings will wither. So the motion is urgent and important."

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" If you will allow me, Sir, to make a few brief remarks, I will do so, and then, the hon. Member may press his motion or withdraw it."

SRI B. NARAYANASWAMI NAYUDU :—" The pumping sets for which licences have been secured are already installed, and nothing more is wanted except supply of current."

MR. PRESIDENT :—" So it is only merely a question of distribution of current. In that case I give my consent to the motion and I ask the House whether it is in favour of the motion. The motion is—

' that the business of the Council be adjourned for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, the cut in and manner of regulating the supply of electricity for